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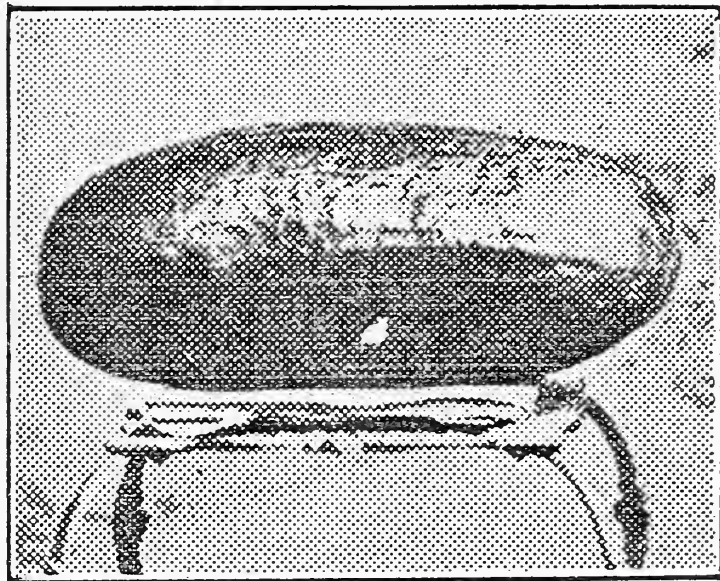
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# H. A. HALBERT

ORIGINATOR AND BREEDER OF  
FINE SEED, PECANS, WATER-  
MELONS, CORN, ETC.  
COLEMAN, TEXAS



HALBERT HONEY

POSTMASTER—Will please give this  
to successor in business or on  
farm if party has left.

D. N. Shoemaker  
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# WATERMELON SEEDS

## DESCRIPTION AND PRICES

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### *Halbert Honey*

This Watermelon is too well known and its reputation established to need a full description, or to publish any voluntary recommendations of those who have tried the Halbert Honey. I can give thousands of them. All first class catalogs have this melon as a standard of quality. The melon is long in shape and blunt at each end. The rind is dark green in color, thin and brittle. Flesh tender and luscious, extra sweet, of blood-red color, melting in the mouth, and leaving no strings or pulp. Seeds white, with black tip, often black rim around the margin, and some have dark blotch on each side. Medium in size, but in good sandy soil and plenty of rain will grow to seventy-five pounds.

I have taken great pains to bring this melon to a higher standard of perfection as possible, during the past few years, while other raisers for regular seedsmen have allowed the melon to run down and adulterate. I raise and sell my own first class seed direct to the planter and not to seedsmen, hence the only sure plan to secure pure seed is to buy from

the originator, whose interest it is to keep up the standard of this best melon ever originated. My first class seed are raised on my own farm and seed saved under my own supervision and by a process of my own invention, without washing them, which leaves them perfectly clean but not bleached, and insures a much higher rate of germination. The germination of many washed seed is ruined while fermenting in the pulp to be washed, and then again in drying after being washed. Seeds I save run no such risk. These first class seed of the highest germination and guaranteed purity of my own raising on my own farm of the 1921 crop, are about the finest I have ever saved.

#### PRICES

1 oz. ....	\$ .10
3 oz. ....	.25
8 oz. ....	.65
1 single pound.....	1.25
2 or more pounds up to 5 pounds, each....	1.00
Then, per pound, up to 10 pounds.....	.99
Then for 10 pounds, or more, per pound....	.80

#### *Second Class Halbert Honey*

To meet competition in cheap seed, and it being impossible for me to raise all the seed my trade requires, I am forced to call on

others to assist me. So I have raised for me by a careful seed raiser of national reputation, from the best strain of Halbert Honey, a first class washed seed of high germination and of greater purity than you can find in any Catalog and cheaper, at the following prices:

2 oz. ....	\$ .15
4 oz. ....	.25
8 oz. ....	.50
1 single pound .....	1.00
2 or more pounds up to 5 lbs, each.....	.90
Then straight up to 10 pounds.....	.80
Then straight for 10 pounds or more.....	.75

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### *Rubber Rind*

This melon is an off-shoot of the Halbert Honey, bred for shipping purposes. Very dark green, thin, but exceedingly tough rind; oval shape, dark red meat fairly sweet and tender for so tough a rind. Seed large, white and black spotted. It grows nearly 50 per cent larger than the Halbert Honey, but not so many on the vine. It ripens about ten days later than the Halbert Honey, hence a fine melon to follow it to prolong a market period. These melons keep well on the vine and improve in quality for a week after they appear ripe. Prices are the same as second class Halbert Honey. (See above.)



## *Tom Watson*

This melon has almost played out, so that it is next to impossible to get pure seed. I lost one patch of five acres last year; would not save a seed, because the melons were so mixed and inferior. I did get some fairly good seed from another patch by closely culling it, and then saved seed out of only the purest types. I secured a fairly pure grade of unwashed seed. I shall continue this process until I get absolutely pure seed in a season or two. These seed of my own raising and unwashed I shall sell at the same price as the second class Halbert Honey. (See above)

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### *Second Class Tom Watson*

These seed were raised for me from best stock of seed obtainable by a seed raiser of national reputation and will compare favorable in purity with any other seed in any catalog. Will sell at the following prices:

2 oz. ....	\$ .15
4 oz. ....	.25
8 oz. ....	.50
1 single pound.....	.90
2 or more pounds, up to 5 pounds, each....	.75
Then straight up to 10 pounds.....	.70
Then straight to 20 pounds.....	.65
Then straight from 20 up to 50 pounds....	.60
Then straight up to 100 pounds.....	.55
Then straight for 100 or more pounds.....	.50



## *Halbert Perfection*

After many years of patient effort, I have succeeded in producing a melon by combining the Halbert Honey and Rubber Rind with the sweet tender flesh of the former and the thin tough rind of the latter. It is the best general purpose melon ever produced, for both home and foreign markets. But, owing to the fact that an originator is not protected by the U. S. Patent laws, like an inventor, I have to protect myself as best I can by selling no seed to come in competition until I get a large supply. Hence I am planting a large acreage in 1922 of all the pure seed of the Perfection that I raised in 1921, so as to get a big supply for the market in 1923, when it will be catalogued for sale.

It takes as much time to put up a pound package as it does two or more pounds in the same package, and under the parcel post rates it costs three to five times as much postage to carry the first pound as it does each additional pound. Hence this higher price for the first pound.

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## *Seed Corn*

I have a limited supply of my drouth resisting corn, known as the Halbert Hybrid. It was originated by making the white variety of June Corn the sire and a white Gourd Seed

variety the mother of the new variety It has the strong drouth-resisting roots of the June Corn and the soft grain and large ears of the Gourd Seed It is immune against the hot winds of June that destroy other varieties and will make good corn when other varieties fail and more corn per acre than any other variety under the same conditions of soils and weather. I planted only a small acreage in 1921, and hence the small supply of seed, and as I want this distributed as much as possible over the country, I will limit the sale to one peck or less to any individual Prices as follows:

1 pound .....	\$ .15
1 gallon .....	.80
1 peck .....	1.50
(Prepaid)	

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### *Paper Shell Pecans*

I own the original tree and introduced the Halbert Paper Shell Pecan. It has borne 35 consecutive crops since I have owned it. Hail alone destroyed two of these crops before they matured. It is the most precocious and prolific variety known.

The Halbert paper shells have taken more premiums over all other varieties than any pecan in the world. Size is the only score it loses on. It has won prizes on thin shell,



fullest kernel, and best commercial pecan. And in spite of its smaller size it won at Mobile, Alabama, in 1911, over all its Jumbo competitors, the highest score of any pecan in the world. This pecan is raised by me in an orchard where it cannot cross with any common stock and will come true to the seed planted. Then why buy high-priced budded trees to die on your hands when you can get these fine nuts to plant at one hundred times cheaper? Why not start an orchard when it can be done so cheaply? I sell at \$1.00 per pound and this will plant two acres. Trees to plant two acres will cost you close to \$100.00. I am the author of a booklet which tells, "WHAT, WHERE, WHEN, AND HOW TO PLANT THE PECAN." Price \$1.00. With this booklet you can make no mistake if directions are followed. This booklet is sent free with ten pounds of nuts at \$1.00 per pound. I have also a smaller size of same pecans I sell for eating at 35c per pound, prepaid, in 10-pound lots.

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### *Farmers' Rain Guide for 1922*

Everybody wants to know what the year has in store in the way of crops. The Farmers' Rain Guide and Predictions for the entire year 1922 will be very useful to farmers and truck-growers.

To know in advance even approximately the

date the rains will fall, so as to be prepared to get the greatest good or the least harm from them, is the greatest boon the farmer can possess. The Rain Guide will predict with wonderful accuracy every rain period for the year 1922, and no up-to-date farmer can afford to be without these predictions on account of these accurate forecasts alone for four times the price of the book. Then besides these very important features, the book contains reliable information on very important topics such as: The true nature of Johnson Grass and the easiest and most scientific way to kill it; how to raise watermelons on black land, as well as on sandy soil, and the most practical way to destroy insect enemies of the melon; how to raise good corn in a dry climate, or during a drouthy year in a seasonable climate, and the best variety of seed corn to accomplish this purpose; how to make good ensilage without a costly silo and with little or no expense; the true history of the heel fly, which is a prolific cause of black-leg in young cattle; how to raise pecans, the most valuable of all edible nuts.

For good measure, the book will tell you of some simple and cheap remedies for man and beast; that is, a certain cure for grippe in man, or distemper in the horse; that will cure the flux or other disorders; that will cure sore hands, chapped lips, burns, scalds, etc. Most of these remedies you have in your house,

if not 5 cents will buy them in any drug store. Price of a copy of the Farmers' Rain Guide, including long range predictions for entire year 1922, will be the small sum of 25c, silver or stamps. Those who have previously obtained a copy of the Rain Guide and do not want a second copy, can get the predictions alone for 15 cents.

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### *Directions for Planting*

Melon seed require warm mellow soil to come up readily. The seed will rot if planted too early in cold soggy soil. Often the seed are blamed when it is the fault of the soil in not getting a stand. Prepare the land early by breaking as deep as possible, deep plowing from 9 to 12 inches is the whole secret of raising fine large melons. Plant the seed shallow, just so as to reach the moisture, less than three inches deep. Cultivate shallow and often and giving good distance between hills—ten feet and more for large marketable melons, and leave one vine in hill. For corn, follow the same general directions as for melon seed but corn may be planted earlier and much deeper. Give distance to corn for fine large ears. One large ear is worth four nubbins. Plant in four feet rows and one stalk every three feet in drill.



## *Remittances*

The money should come with each order. The safest plan is to send a money order or cashier's check. Personal checks will be accepted, but will reserve the right to send the check direct to bank and collect it before filling order, especially where parties are not known.

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